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STILL NOT HOME

Rose Hasted

VICTIMS of flooding forced out of their homes face another year in temporary accommodation.

By **Katriona Ormiston**

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Of the 45 households evacuated in February when flooding hit the Buckskin area of Basingstoke, 40 are still not back in their homes.

Of 31 families Sovereign moved into alternative accommodation, 19 plan to move back to their Buckskin home.

Another 12 have moved into new permanent homes, and six are waiting to move into new homes that have been found.

Sovereign Housing Association, who own the homes, admitted it could be up to a year before everyone is back.

The earliest residents are likely to return home is between November this year and March 2015.

Sovereign's Hampshire director Luke Bingham said: "Realistically, however, it could be up to a year before the last resident is able to move back."

Five of the houses were evacuated because residents couldn't reach their homes – so they moved back after the flooding subsided.

But other homes were completely destroyed.

Buckskin residents of 19 years Rose and Steve Hasted tried to save their belongings and furniture by putting them on blocks above the floodwater.

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Cancer centre is up and running

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A NEW £6.5m state-of-the-art radiotherapy unit at Basingstoke and North Hampshire Hospital has been opened by TV broadcaster Clare Balding.

Ms Balding OBE unveiled a plaque marking the unit being up and running when she visited the unit on Tuesday night.

It means the hospital, in Aldermaston Road, can treat cancer patients with radiotherapy in the next few weeks.

The high-energy radiation used during radiotherapy permanently damages the DNA of cancer cells, causing them to die.

Former cancer sufferers Jan Dancy, 68, and husband Dan Dancy, 71, said the new unit would mean a huge amount to people suffering from the disease.

Mrs Dancy, from Hartley Wintney, had to travel to Southampton for treatment every weekday for six weeks after being diagnosed with breast cancer in 2005.

Mr Dancy had to travel to Guildford for treatment on Prostate Cancer the same year.

The couple have both been given the all-clear

Mrs Dancy said: "If you haven't seen the other side of things you don't know how important something like this is.

"My husband and I travelled back and forth. When you have got cancer the travelling can take a couple of hours a day, and sometimes you are not well enough to drive yourself there. It takes a chunk out of your life.

"Travelling is a lot for anyone if you are feeling fine, but when you are ill it is that much more difficult.

"The fact that the unit is now in Basingstoke is absolutely incredible for local people, it will make a massive difference.

"The unit is fantastic – it is modern, light, airy, and it has little gardens so you can walk outside in the fresh air which is a major bonus."

The unit has new Linac machines for radiotherapy and a CT scanner which takes x-rays to show where tumours are.

Ms Balding, 43, who is originally from Kingsclere, opened the unit with the Mayors of Basingstoke and the Test Valley.

· Clare Balding at the unit and (inset) Jan Dancy

Police appeal after teenager robbed of iPhone

A TEENAGER has been arrested after a woman was pushed to the floor and robbed.

The 36-year-old victim was walking home after being dropped off by a taxi at the bottom of Bennet Close on Saturday.

The woman was approached by two men who chatted to her and walked beside her towards her house.

When they reached Martin Close, one of the men pushed her to the floor from behind and stole her handbag and gold iPhone 5 before both men fled.

Police found her handbag nearby but the phone had been taken.

A 17-year-old boy has been arrested on suspicion of robbery and bailed until June 9.

Detective Constable Andy Wright from Basingstoke Police Station said: "I would like to hear from anyone who witnessed the incident or who may have seen two men in the area at the time.

"If you are out late at night try to stick with friends and avoid walking alone. Also try to keep your valuables out of sight."

Call 101 with information.

News Bites

Councillor chairs final meeting for borough council

CONSERVATIVE stalwart Horace Mitchell chaired his last meeting as head of the development control committee last week before his retirement.

Cllr Mitchell, who represents the Highclere & Bourne ward, is not standing for re-election on May 22.

Mr Mitchell, who has been a councillor for 10 years, chaired his last meeting on Thursday.

Answers sought over Aldermaston power outages

RESIDENTS quizzed staff from Scottish and Southern Electric about the number of power cuts in Aldermaston at the parish's Annual General Meeting on Tuesday.

They questioned SSE on what could be done to improve service, but were told that burying the power lines wasn't an option because of the size of the village.

SSE staff said they would present Aldermaston Parish Council with plans to improve service in three months time.

They admitted service before Christmas was unacceptable.

Three cheers for Basingstoke girl's NFL performance

A GIRL from Basingstoke got a taste of what it is like to be a professional cheerleader on Saturday.

Megan Cathers, 12, was one of just 25 girls to win a place at the training day led by cheerleaders from America's famous National Football League (NFL).

The Jacksonville Jaguars NFL cheerleading squad performed at London's Westfield shopping centre in Stratford.

Megan said: "I really like being a cheerleader as I'm part of the Basingstoke Wolverines. We won the championship and I've been doing it for five years."

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Residents might not return home for a year

• **From front page**

By **Katriona Ormiston**
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But Mrs Hasted, 52, said: "Once it came in, it just didn't stop. We saved clothing and photographs but the big furniture was gone.

"It was heart-breaking. We left on the Tuesday night with just one case; when we went back on the Wednesday, the water was up the walls and the sofa. It was just horrible. Our children grew up there. Now it's all memories."

The couple evacuated on February 18 and stayed temporarily at a flat in Basingstoke's Skyline Plaza.

On April 14 they were offered a bungalow in South Ham, which they chose to make their permanent home.

Mrs Hasted added: "We feel like we have won the lottery."

Of the 41 empty houses in Buckskin, 30 have been cleared of carpets and flood-damaged property.

Once they have dried out and an assessment made by insurers, repairs will be carried out.

A family-of-four lived in their Buckskin bungalow for 19 years before being forced out by flooding.

Dawn and Lee Burn, both 45, their 23-year-old daughter, 19-year-old son, and his girlfriend, lived in their Prescelly Close home.

Mrs Burn said: "We lost everything. We had to throw it all out in the end.

"I lost all my photos. It came up to about 18 inches in the house, but it got everywhere - even the lampshades and all the clothes hanging in the wardrobe were ruined. It was total devastation."

The family lived at the Apollo Hotel before moving to a temporary home in the Black Dam area of Basingstoke.

They are considering making it their new home.

Basingstoke MP Maria Miller met with Sovereign's regional housing manager Sue Jeffrey for an update on the association's flooding response.

Mrs Miller said: "Sadly, the drying process means that they will need to stay in their temporary accommodation until it is safe for them to return home.

"I know Sovereign worked closely with the borough council throughout the flooding and recovery phase, and is involved in the review that the county council is carrying out into the flood response. I applaud them for the way in which they have responded to this crisis."

• Maria Miller MP surveyed the damage in Buckskin at the height of the floods

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Take a blood test

FREE blood pressure tests are being run on May 21 to raise awareness of the risk of strokes.

The Stroke Association team is hosting the event at Basingstoke Discovery Centre in Festival Place shopping centre from 10am until 2pm.

It comes during Action on Stroke Month this May.

Plans welcomed

A BUSINESS partnership covering Basingstoke has welcomed revised expansion plans published by Heathrow Airport on Tuesday.

Enterprise M3 has backed the plans calling it "vitally important".

Heathrow and Gatwick airports unveiled expansion plans in a bid for permission to build the UK's next runway.

Heathrow included extra compensation worth £550m for people affected by proposals to build a third runway.

The airports have submitted their plans to the Airports Commission for permission.

Boost for eBooks

A POPULARITY boost across Hampshire for the library's eBooks means more than 100,000 people are using them.

From 2013 to 2014 there were about 124,400 downloads for the Internet book service.

Authors like Steig Larsson, Dan Brown, Suzanne Collins and Lee Child were most well-read by residents.

Hampshire County Council's Library Service has more than 11,000 eBooks on offer.

Multi-million pound project to support domestic abuse victims

A NEW £7.2m project to support victims of domestic violence in their own homes has been revealed.

The four-year scheme is set to invest in community services so people are not placed in refuges but helped in their own home and community.

It was announced by Hampshire County Council and Hampshire's Police and Crime Commissioner Simon Hayes on Tuesday.

About 1,000 women and children a year in Hampshire are given emergency accommodation, and more then 900 victims and their family members are given support within the community.

Mr Hayes said: "Moving victims away from their homes for immediate crisis protection might be necessary in some cases, but is not a long term solution.

"Where possible, better coordinated outreach services will support more families to stay in their own homes and maintain their lives, and that of their family."

Councillor Liz Fairhurst, Hampshire County Council's executive member for adult social care and public health, said: "We want to ensure that the needs of the victims come first and that the support we provide empowers them to take control of their lives, and most importantly helps them to be, and feel, safe.

"Funding for these vital services will increase, and by making changes and working in partnership we will be able to provide better services and support more families."

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Expert called in to decide on gypsies

A DECISION on whether a gypsy caravan site in Bishops Green should be allowed to expand was postponed after more than one hour of debate.

By **Katriona Ormiston**
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Councillors said they wanted to defer the decision until it could be made clearer if the applicants were gypsies.

Members of Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council also said they wanted to make sure the site was big enough for the number of touring caravans, at the development control committee meeting last Thursday.

Planning officers at the council had recommended the application for two extra mobile homes, a new community building and car parking be approved.

It would bring the site on the southern edge of the village to five mobile homes.

Chairman of the committee Horace Mitchell said: "The decision has been deferred to seek a second opinion as to the strength of evidence of gypsy status and evidence that provision could be made on the site for three touring caravans.

"Can I ask for that independent assessment to be carried out as expeditiously as possible so this does not drag on."

Four members of the committee voted to postpone the decision after a motion to defer it was put forward by Cllr Diane Taylor.

She said: "The reason for this application is the family in question wants a more settled and stable life, but in order to achieve this they have to prove they are gypsy with an itinerant lifestyle. I can't quite reconcile this. It seems to me the lifestyle they are seeking is not that of a gypsy."

She added: "There are so many different things that do not feel right. I think we should defer it until we know more about it."

The council heard two members of the family are no longer able to travel because of confidential health reasons but the son still travels for work. A gypsy liaison officer at the council ruled the family did qualify as gypsies. But the council heard a different officer four years previously in relation to different planning application ruled they were not.

Councillors called for an independent expert to be called in to determine their gypsy status.

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Local plan out

RESIDENTS across Basingstoke are being urged to give their feedback on where houses will be built over the next 15 years.

A public consultation on the revised Basingstoke and Deane Local Plan runs until June 13.

It allocates where 6,940 homes are to be built on sites across the town.

The number of houses to be built on Manydown has jumped from 3,100 to 3,400, and the number for Kennel Farm has been upped from 250 to 310.

The housing allocation East of Basingstoke has been reduced from 900 to 450.

The other sites have stayed the same as the previous draft local plan published last year.

To see the plan go to basingstoke.gov.uk/go/localplan

Comments can be submitted online or at the council offices in London Road or by calling 01256 844844.

A Government planning inspector will then have to approve the plans.

Basingstoke in all but name

BASINGSTOKE is still nameless on Google Maps a week on from an apology for renaming it "Town Centre".

The Internet search engine accidentally dubbed Basingstoke with the generic term on its mapping service application about two weeks ago.

But while villages like Oakley, Herriard, and Sherborne St John have a name for themselves, Basingstoke is yet to be put back on the maps.

Google reportedly apologized for the error saying: "Whoops. Sorry for the mix-up. An engineer is quite literally putting Basingstoke on the map."

While Town Centre was taken down off Google Maps, Basingstoke is still waiting to claim it's rightful name.

Hampshire's Chamber of Commerce Chris Quintana called the mix-up "ridiculous" saying Basingstoke is an "amazing place".

But town traders took the mistake light heartedly.

Owner of Longdog Brewery Phil Robins said it was "funny" and drew more attention to Basingstoke as a town.

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WWI poppies

A NEW memorial garden at a Basingstoke junior school has been started ahead of the centenary of the start of the First World War.

Basingstoke MP Maria Miller joined pupils at Castle Hill Junior School in Winklebury Way and head John Martin to cut the first turf and scatter poppy seeds for the garden.

Mrs Miller said: "As we approach the centenary of the start of the First World War, it is really important that young people learn about what happened and have an understanding of the importance of these events in the history of our nation. Castle Hill's memorial garden is a great way to mark the centenary in a very visual way."

Prime Minister David Cameron launched a drive to urge people to plant poppies on April 28 by planting them at 10 Downing Street.

Charity appeal

HAMPSHIRE'S emergency air ambulance charity is appealing for volunteers to represent them at Winchester's fair.

Hampshire and Isle of Wight Air Ambulance is looking to recruit 160 volunteers for BoomTown Fair from August 4 until August 10.

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Popularity boom for apprentices taken on by Basingstoke businesses

AN extra 90 businesses in Basingstoke employed apprentices last year, new figures have shown.

Government statistics show 460 workplaces in the town now offer apprenticeships, compared with 370 from 2011 to 2012 and 370 from 2010 to 2011.

Basingstoke MP Maria Miller welcomed the news last week after visiting apprentices at Basingstoke manufacturing company MiniTec, in Telford Road.

She said: "Many more Basingstoke businesses of all sizes are offering apprenticeship places.

"The people who run our local businesses tell me that what works for them is training and growing their own staff.

Apprenticeships benefit the business by ensuring training is right for the business; and benefit apprentices themselves giving them recognised qualifications for life.

"This is why, both locally and nationally, we have seen a record number of apprenticeships starting."

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New headquarters for boat trip base

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VOLUNTEERS celebrated finishing restoration work on an 18th century barn to be used as a base for boat trips on the Basingstoke Canal.

Basingstoke Canal Society volunteers clocked up more than 1,000 hours of work replacing rotten woodwork, repairing the roof and rebuilding the wall of Cot Hill barn in Odiham.

On Friday Chairman of Hampshire County Council Ken Thornber unveiled a plaque marking the project's completion two years after the work began.

The building, which is more than 200 years old, used to house cargo dropped off by horse and cart before it was loaded onto barges on the canal.

It is now used as a base for the passenger boat trip which carries thousands of visitors a year.

A berth for the boat, called John Pinkerton II, was also built next to the barn.

The society's Chairman Philip Riley said: "We were delighted to welcome Cllr Thornber and his colleagues to celebrate the re-opening.

"Odiham is the base for our volunteer-run trip boat, John Pinkerton II, which provides visitors to North Hampshire and local people with an unparalleled opportunity to enjoy the beauty and tranquillity of the Basingstoke Canal. "

· Councillor Thornber (left) with Philip Riley.

"We are very grateful to our partner Hampshire County Council for its support in enabling us to secure the future of the barn as an important component of the infrastructure and heritage of the canal and as an operating base for our boat, which contributes more than £30,000 each year to the funding of the canal."

Cllr Thornber said it was a great pleasure to see the results of so many hours of volunteering.

He added: "I congratulate all that were involved and on their improvements."

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Half marathon

ENTRIES are open for Basingstoke's next half marathon.

The race is on Sunday, October 5.

It starts on Hackwood Road next to War Memorial Park in Basingstoke's town centre.

To enter go to destination-basingstoke.co.uk

AGM for charity

A CHARITY for parents of children with disabilities is holding its annual general meeting in Alton on Monday.

The Hampshire Parent Carer Network AGM runs from 10am until 1pm at the Alton Maltings Centre in Maltings Close.

Hampshire County Council's director of children's services John Coughlan will be the opening speaker.

HPCN is an independent parent carer forum run by volunteers representing the views of families with children or young people with disabilities or additional needs.

To book a place e-mail info@hpcn.org.uk or call 01962 832580.

Business award

THE Hampshire Business Awards opened for entry on Monday.

Companies can enter until June 20. The four categories are for responsibility and sustainability, company of the year, management team of the year, and technical innovation.

Winners will be announced in Winchester Guildhall on September 30. Go to hampshirebusinessawards.co.uk for more information or how to find out how to apply.

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PCC webchat

HAMPSHIRE Police and Crime Commissioner Simon Hayes is hosting a webchat about mental health tonight.

The session from 6pm until 7pm aims to raise awareness of National Mental Health Awareness Week this week.

Mr Hayes said: "This will provide me with a greater understanding of what is being done well and where services might need to improve."

To take part go to hampshire-pcc.gov.uk

Memorial service

FAMILIES in Basingstoke who have lost babies have been invited to a Winchester Cathedral remembrance service.

The Saying Goodbye service at 2pm on Saturday, May 17, aims to help parents and siblings pay tribute to their lost baby.

Charity art sale

A charity which hosted its first art exhibition at Basingstoke's museum is selling its pieces to raise money.

Sebastian's Action Trust arranges for sick children and their families to go on holiday.

Artwork drawn and painted by the children and parents were shown in an exhibition at the Willis Museum in Basingstoke's Market Place from April 5 until May 5.

The charity, which is based in Surrey held the Art from the Heart exhibition to celebrate its 10th birthday.

It is hoping to raise charity funds selling the canvases on Ebay at ebay.co.uk/usr/sebastiansactiontrust

Garden plans for kids get funding

By **Katriona Ormiston**
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A PROJECT to turn land in Basingstoke's most deprived areas into a community garden has been given a £4,900 boost.

Land behind Kempshott Village Hall, in Pack Lane, is being developed by young peoples' group Inspero.

Inspero run allotment-style gardens and cookery classes for children across Basingstoke.

Last week it was given a £4,000 Comic Relief grant by the Hampshire and Isle of Wight Community Foundation.

Another £900 was donated by the Basingstoke philanthropists the Spence family through the Spence Family Trust.

Mum-of-three Catherine Waters-Clark founded Inspero in 2012.

She said: "They are more community gardens than allotments. This is a brilliant site it will be our best – it is the biggest and has a huge range of wildlife.

"We have already planted potatoes, garlic, fruit trees, celery, green beans, spinach but we need to do a lot more.

"We have already spent about £5,000 on digging it out, and buying things like sleepers and for building planters."

• (From left to right) Young ambassadors for the Inspero gardening and cooking project William Phoon, 13, Ben Kieser, 14, Sam Phillips, 13, and Aaron Clark, 13.

The not-for-profit company is currently bidding to become a charity.

It works with more than 100 youngsters a year across the town but particularly in the Buckskin and South Ham areas of Basingstoke.

Inspero has three community garden sites in Bardwell Close, Branton Close and Pack Lane.

It also runs cooking classes two or three times a month to teach children aged five to 18-year-olds life skills.

Fruit and vegetables were planted for the first time in the new gardens last month.

Ms Waters-Clark added: "Projects like this are massively important because if you get children to appreciate and learn about food when they are young they eat healthily when they are older.

"And some of our kids spend a long time playing on playstations so it encourages them to learn more about wildlife."

Off duty cop targeted by a fraudster

AN off duty police officer was flagged down by a man in the middle of the M3 slip road asking to exchange gold for money.

He told the officer he broke down and needed cash near junction 7 on Tuesday, May 6.

The officer knew the trick and called for back-up.

When the suspect pushed him the officer tried to detain him but he fled from the scene.

The off duty police officer had been driving out of Basingstoke along the A30 when he was stopped.

PC Craig Bannerman, from Basingstoke police station, said: "I would like to hear from any motorists who may have seen a man attempting to flag down motorists prior to this.

"Were you also stopped and asked if you would purchase items or did you witness two men involved in a struggle at the side of the road? If so you may be able to assist our investigation.

"Similar incidents have previously occurred elsewhere in Hampshire. It seems the offenders for these scams prey on the good nature of their victims.

"Those that offer gold in exchange for cash are often selling highly polished copper made to look like gold which is practically worthless.

"If you spot anyone acting suspiciously in this way at the roadside, please call police immediately. If possible, please take down the registration number of the vehicle."

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Roadwork plans

ROAD repair works will shut parts of the A34 and the A33 overnight near Basingstoke.

The southbound A34 between the A303 Bullington Cross and the M3 J9 Winnall Roundabout, and the southbound A33 from the B3047 London Road will be shut between 10pm and 5.30am.

The closures, which start today, will run for seven weekday nights with the exception of May 19, 23 and 26.

Diversions will be in place.

Victim attacked

A MAN was assaulted and robbed while walking near Basingstoke's train station.

A white Samsung Tablet 3 was stolen from the man heading from Soper Grove into Lyford Road on Monday, May 5 between 8pm and 9pm.

The offender is described as white, in his early 20's, about 5ft 8 to 5ft 9 tall and a slim build. Police are appealing for witnesses to call 101.

Numbers up

ST MICHAEL'S Hospice has announced the winners of its latest lottery draw from May 9.

First prize of £1,000 goes to ticket 95225 of Oakley, while ticket 95265 of Oakley claims second prize of £100.

Third prize of £50 goes to Overton ticket 62443, and Basingstoke ticket 45985 gets fourth prize of £20.

Sixteen prizes of £5 go to tickets 02940, 04299, 04825, 05548, 06779, 09258, 23849, 51640, 54424, 54802, 62385, 64954, 69683, 70033, 70831 and 87476.

Drug bust by police leads to nine arrests

POLICE raided homes across Basingstoke to crackdown on drug supply in the town.

By Katriona Ormiston
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Nine people were arrested as part of Hampshire Constabulary's Operation Fortress on Wednesday, May 8.

Warrants were executed in Pitcairn Close, Illsey Road, Milton Close, Shelley Close, Bourdillion Gardens and Marlowe Close in Basingstoke as well as houses in Winchester and Bracknell.

Police seized cash and drugs.

Six men from Basingstoke aged 19, 23, 23, 25, 27 and 28 and a 19-year-old man from Winchester were arrested on suspicion of conspiracy to supply Class A drugs.

Two women aged 19 and 20 from Basingstoke were arrested on suspicion of money laundering offences.

Inspector Paul Maginnis from the Basingstoke safer neighbourhoods team said: "Drugs aren't welcome in Basingstoke - and that's the message we want to send to people currently involved with illegal drugs activity in the town.

"As part of Operation Fortress, we also want to focus on how members of the public can help us by providing information about any drugs activity of drug-related crime happening in their neighbourhood.

"We are working with other partner agencies to restrict the supply of drugs, reduce the demand and to rebuild communities affected by drugs or drug-related crime.

"We want to hear from anyone who is concerned about drugs or drug-related crime in their neighbourhood.

"This support we receive from local people is vital in helping us to keep communities safe."

Residents are being asked to keep an eye out for suspicious drug activity in communities.

Police are warning people to look for an increase in the number of visitors to a house or flat, people staying for a short time, small meetings near houses or flats, residents coming and leaving a house a lot, people hanging around using a phone, and new or hire cars stopped outside a house.

Officers are urging people to call 101 with information, 999 if the crime is in progress, or email operation.fortress@hampshire.pnn.police.uk.

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County's chief fire officer ready to retire

HAMPSHIRE'S top fire officer announced he is stepping down after a decade in the job.

Hampshire Fire and Rescue Service's Chief Officer John Bonney announced to 1,800 staff last week he will retire on December 31 this year.

Mr Bonney, who is based mainly at the fire service's Eastleigh headquarters, said: "2014 marks my 10th year as chief officer, and having served at the helm for a decade, I've decided it is now timely for me to step down from what is, by any measure, the best job in the British fire service.

"I am proud to have led a service populated throughout by people absolutely dedicated to what we do and who, as a matter of routine, go far beyond what is asked of them."

Mr Bonney joined Hampshire Fire and Rescue Service from Gloucestershire Fire and Rescue Service in 2001 as Deputy Chief Officer and took on the role of Chief Officer in July 2004.

He was awarded the Queen's Fire Service Medal in 2007.

Chairman of Hampshire Fire Authority, Royston Smith, said: "John retires from his position as chief with our heartfelt thanks as an authority for the huge impact he has made as our top fire officer.

"John's inspirational leadership has seen Hampshire gain a clear position as one of the leading fire and rescue services in the country.

"He will be greatly missed and he leaves an absolutely massive legacy."

The announcement eight months ahead of his retirement was made to give the service time to pick a new Chief Officer.

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Children learn of the town's war-torn past

SCHOOLCHILDREN have heard about devastating air raids and bombings in Basingstoke recounted by elderly dementia sufferers.

By **Katriona Ormiston**
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Pupils from Hatch Warren Junior School in Gershwin Road learnt what life was like for people during the Second World War in Basingstoke from residents at Newman Court day centre in Barber Road.

The school and centre teamed up with Proteus Theatre Company, based in Council Road, for a research project.

The four-week project, funded by Hampshire County Council, involved the pupils and day care residents sharing memories to create a performance based on experiences in the 1940's and Second World War.

One person recollected air raids over the town and the damage caused by the bombing of Church Square in Basingstoke.

Others remembered being evacuated, rationing, songs and dances of the 1940's as children and teenagers.

Hatch Warren Junior School teacher Shirley Davies said: "It is lovely watching the interaction between the children and the older people.

"A question and answer session produced some wonderful extra details to the memories they had shared previously."

She added: "An opening exercise of sharing names, ages and favourite sweets immediately relaxed the children and set the tone for the whole of the session.

"The children found talking to the people attending Newman Court Day Centre a very positive exercise."

The council's executive member for adult social care and public health Liz Fairhurst said: "There is nothing like hearing about first hand experiences to bring history to life.

"This project will not only help the children get a real feel for what living in the forties and through a war was like, it will also help create a better understanding between the different generations."

Nine workshops led by staff at Proteus Theatre Company helped dramatise the memories using music and song.

The project will culminate in a school show to be held by the children on May 21.

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TV star flies in by chopper to shock scouts

BASINGSTOKE'S scouts were surprised by a visit from TV survival expert Bear Grylls.

The adventurer and Chief Scout flew in to Ferny Crofts Scout Activity Centre in The New Forest by helicopter last Saturday to meet Hampshire's Scouts.

The 500 youngsters took part in an adventure weekend.

Basingstoke Scout Daniel Pruce, 12, said: "It was great to meet Bear in person instead of just watching him on TV. He's such a huge inspiration for me. Scouting's all about adventure, so there's nothing better than having someone like Bear join in.

"I love being a Scout – it's built up my confidence, helped me make loads of new friends and allowed me to try so many brilliant things I would have otherwise never been able to do."

Mr Grylls said: "One of my main objectives for the weekend was to encourage more adults to volunteer with the Scouts to ensure all young people have the opportunity to join in the adventure Scouting offers.

"I'm so proud to be Chief Scout and it's always humbling to see at first hand the adventures that our members are taking part in and their enthusiasm in making a difference."

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World record bid

UKULELE players in Basingstoke are being urged to join other Hampshire musicians to play their way into the world record books.

Hampshire Music Hub is organising a world record attempt to beat Japan's band of 2,134 ukulele players in Kanagawa in 2012.

Ukukele players of all ages and abilities are being asked to sign up for the effort at Southampton Football Club on July 18 from 1.30pm to 3pm.

The Hampshire Music Hub is a partnership led by Hampshire County Council.

Entry is £6, or £3 for concessions.

Musicians can sign up by June 1 by calling Hampshire Music Service on 023 8065 2037, or email music.service@hants.gov.uk

Call to save land

BASINGSTOKE MP Maria Miller has backed a move to protect a woodland near the town from development.

Mrs Miller visited Old Down in Kempshott with volunteers the Old Down and Beggarwood Wildlife Group.

The 12 hectares of former farmland also has a beech tree wood.

She said: "Old Down is an important open green space on the west side of Basingstoke and is a precious resource for the whole community. We have to ensure that it is protected from development."

"It is very good news that the Borough Council has included Old Down on the single list of protected sites."

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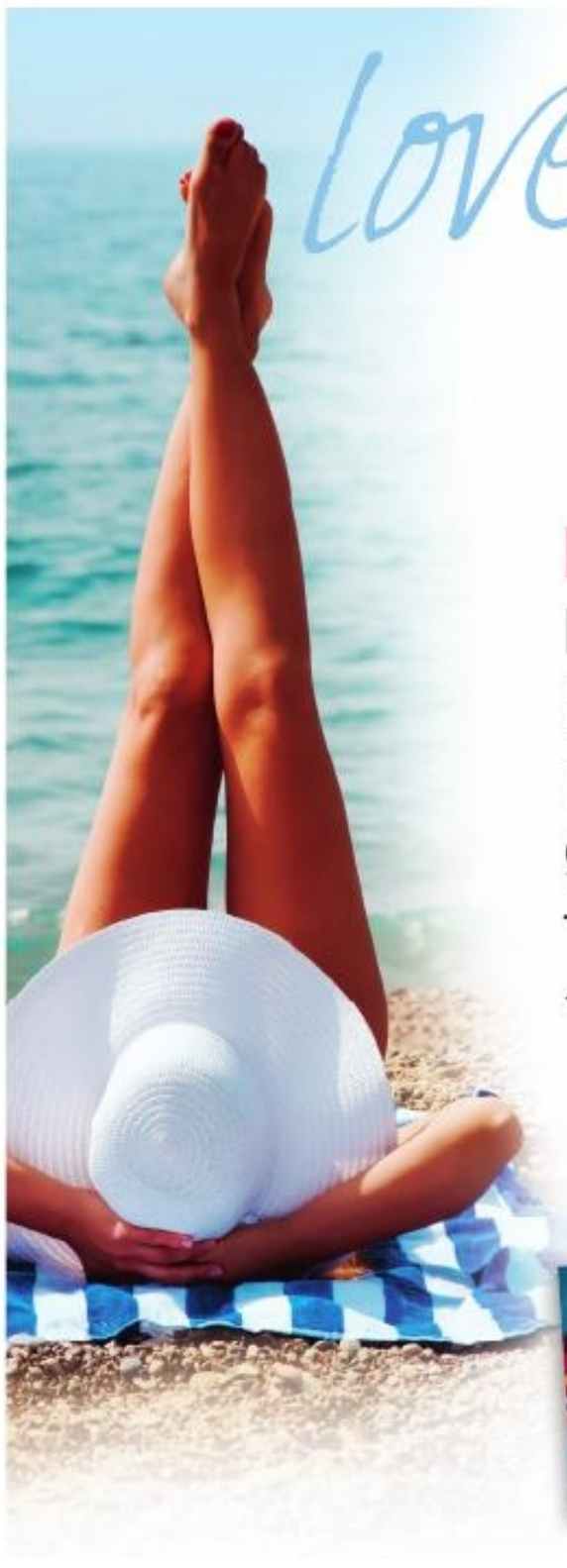

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Comedy night

STAND-UP comic Matthew Baylis presents a night of comedy for up and coming acts at Central Studio tomorrow evening.

The bill includes Neil McFarlane and Alan Francis, in a show which has previously given opportunities to big names including Reginald D Hunter, Jack Whitehall and Paul Foot.

Tickets cost £10, and the show starts at 7.30pm. Go to centralstudio.co.uk for more details.

Amanda Shires

TALENTED fiddle player Amanda Shires comes to The Forge on Saturday, following the release of her latest album 'Down Fell The Doves'.

Amanda is known for her ability to lace stories into her songs, and was voted Texas Artist of the Year in 2011. The show begins at 7.30pm.

Up Pompeii!

THE Phoenix Players in Bordon perform a hilarious romp through ancient Italy in Up Pompeii from tomorrow.

Based on the original Frankie Howerd BBC comedy, the play sees Lurcio caught up in a myriad of sexual liaisons, described as "a riot from start to finish".

It is running at the Bordon Phoenix until May 24.

Return of Jason

STAND-UP comedian Jason Manford is set to bring his 'First World Problems' tour back to Basingstoke this month, as part of 22 extra shows that have been announced nationwide.

By Adam Flinn
adam@taylornewspapers.co.uk

Jason was at The Anvil in September last year, and is bringing the show back to The Anvil after selling well last time.

He is well known for his television work on shows such as 'The One Show', 'QI' and 'Live at the Apollo', but he is returning to his stand-up roots for this show.

"I've been really enjoying this show," said Jason. "I have fun with the audience, it's very friendly and relaxed, and I never get bored of it.

"Overall TV is much, much easier. A lot of the time it's just professional reading, while trying to make it look like you're not reading."

He stated that stand-up is much more demanding, adding: "On stage, you're everything. You're the boss, performer, writer, editor, director, you're even Ofcom, because you decide what to say. It's brilliant."

'First World Problems' is Jason's first tour since 2011, and after initially running between June and December last year with good reviews, he has brought it back for the additional dates.

He lays on his own warm-up for each show and encourages audience participation through his performances, leading to entertaining exchanges and audiences relaying their own anecdotes.

"I only tour every couple of years , and the good thing is that over that time your life and the people who surround you are constantly changing.

"With 'First World Problems', I'd seen the phrase online and liked it. It just sums up so much I think the phrase emphasises those times when we moan about the most trivial things.

"It's as if we invent problems to so we have something to moan about. I imagine someone in the third world just thinking that we were all complete idiots!"

The show takes place at The Anvil on May 24, and starts at 8pm.

• Jason Manford brings his 'First World Problems' back to The Anvil next weekend

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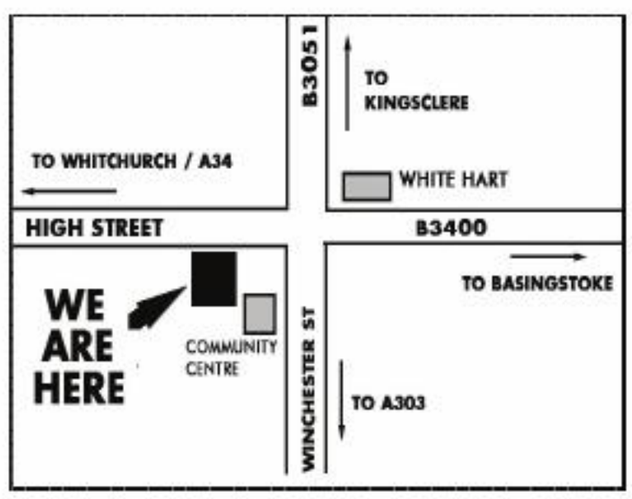

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Jimi and Cream

VOODOO Room, paying tribute to both legendary guitarist Jimi Hendrix and rock supergroup Cream, is staged at Central Studio on Saturday.

Pete Orr, John Tonks and Andy Tolman perform their high energy show in the true spirit of their superstar personas.

It starts at 8pm.

Science fun

FIREBALLS, hydrogen balloons and rockets come to The Anvil tomorrow and Saturday, as part of Science Museum Live's 'Energy Show'.

Two futuristic science students race against time to prove their knowledge of energy during the show, produced by the world-renowned Science Museum in London.

Popley Festival

THE annual Popley Festival returns on Sunday, with stalls, funfair rides and a car boot sale on offer for visitors to enjoy.

An arena area will run all day with participation events including football, an egg and spoon race and an obstacle course on offer.

It runs from 11am until 4pm at Carpenters Down, Popley, and is free to enter. Go to popleyfestival.org.uk for more details.

Evacuation in the war

NINA Bawden's well-loved novel Carrie's War, the tale of evacuation in the Second World War, comes to The Haymarket from next Thursday.

By **Adam Flinn**
adam@taylornewspapers.co.uk

Performed by the Apollo Theatre Company, it tells the story of Carrie Willow and her brother Nick, who are evacuated to a small village in the Welsh countryside.

They are billeted with the kind but timid Auntie Lou and her miserly brother Mr Evans, and the children quickly learn that the countryside is unlike anywhere else they have ever known.

Carrie and Nick begin to love their new world and the characters within it, such as the mysterious housekeeper Hepzibah Green, who speaks of tales, magic, and a terrifying curse.

"As a company we set out to tell classic stories, and the period of the Second World War is full of them," said the show's director Tim Astley.

"We wanted to do something that hadn't been done on stage a lot and this adaptation, having been performed only once on tour before, seemed the perfect fit.

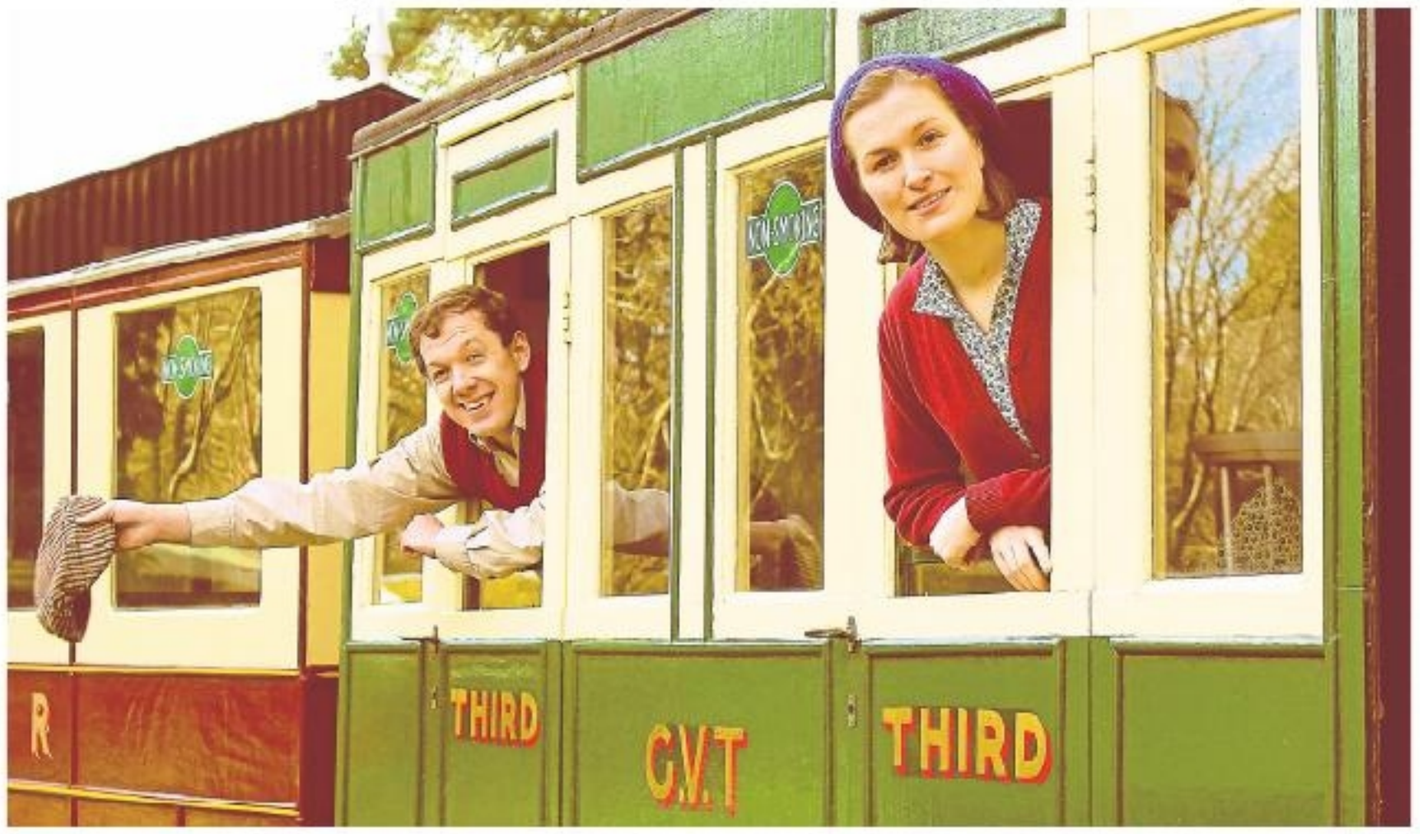
"As with many of our previous shows, the production is a true ensemble piece featuring a real cast of characters that helps create the world of village life during the Second World War.

"It's a story that has held strong for over 40 years, and we hope in bringing it to life we will contribute to its continued popularity for another 40 yet."

The Apollo Theatre Company has been producing professional theatre since it was founded by Tim in 2010.

The company has staged five previous productions at venues nationwide, made up of 'The Dumb Waiter', 'Blue Remembered Hills', 'Keep The Home Fires Burning', 'Our Town' and 'The Code Breakers'.

Carrie's War will run at The Haymarket from May 22 to 24, with tickets costing £17.



• Amy Hamlen and Andy Owens play Carrie and Nick in Carrie's War, at The Haymarket next week

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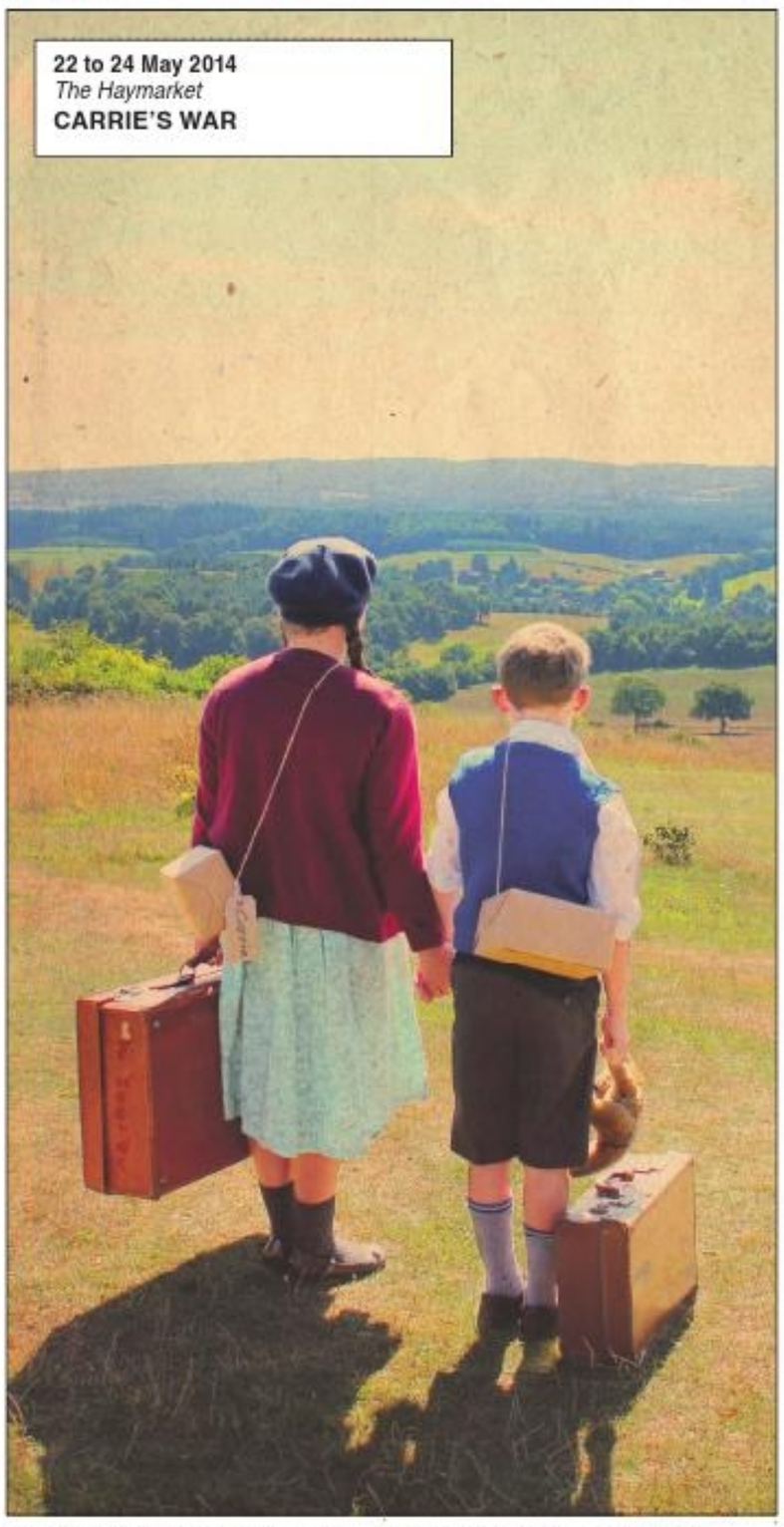

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23 May 2014, 7pm - 12:30am
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BLACK TIE CHARITY AUCTION
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4 Jun 2014, 11am - 4pm
6 Jun 2014, 7:30pm
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14 Jun 2014, 7pm - 11:30pm
Red Lion Hotel, Basingstoke
PRINCE AND PRINCESS CHARITY DISCO
Charity disco to help raise money for local school Dove House,
This is a family disco you will be meet and greet by a prince and princess.
Tickets are available at £10 per adult, children under 18 £5 and children with autism go free. There will be food of burgers, hotdogs, chips and salad and the disco will be autism friendly .
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14 Jun 2014, 7pm - 11pm
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CHILDREN'S CHARITY DISCO
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14 Jun 2014, 11am
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28 Jun 2014, 11am
Central Studio, Queen Mary's College
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£6 full | £5 children
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28 Jun 2014, 8pm
Central Studio, Queen Mary's College
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£10 full | £8 concessions | £8 students & children
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	1	7		6				2
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Two speed crossword

Quick Clues Across

1 One who covers furniture (11)
9 Spike of corn (3)
10 Many-footed animal (9)
11 Lesser in importance (5)
13 Amidst (7)
14 Deny (6)
16 Shackle (6)
18 Colossal (7)
19 One who sets rate of progress (5)
20 Setbacks (9)
21 Belonging to him (3)
22 Teenagers (11)

Quick Clues Down

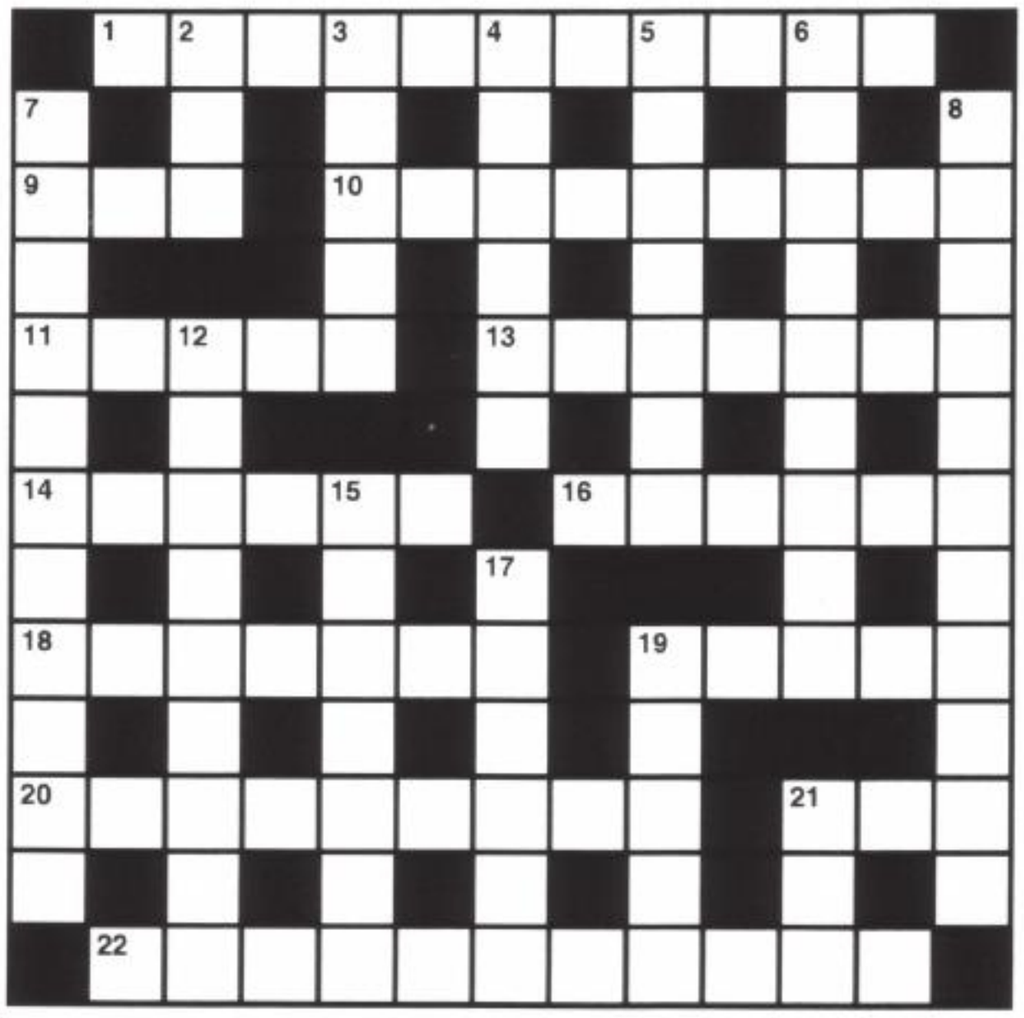
2 Face value of shares (3)
3 Come to mind (5)
4 Type of footwear (6)
5 Incident (7)
6 Vigorous (9)
7 Sprout-inducing agents (11)
8 Form of printing (11)
12 Vetoed (9)
15 Supporting shoot (7)
17 Small pieces (6)
19 Stick (5)
21 Shed (3

Cryptic Clues Across

1 Come in. Thank you. Dine informally. Be received as a guest (11)
9 With this one has nothing (3)
10 Died having no will to survive (9)
11 The rascal sounds as if he's in church (5)
13 Could a mere lad be such a jewel? (7)
14 I start out to be a craftsman (6)
16 Mark the regular pattern (6)
18 Flower one could somehow say has a circular centre (7)
19 Belief in the bitch who has whelped? (5)
20 Can I be in dual collision and not be heard? (9)
21 Only part of a piece of pastry (3)
22 Substitute newly mixed paler cement (11)

Cryptic Clues Down

2 Trap what is left after deductions (3)
3 Chosen to put it in the roughly sheltered side (5)
4 Named the bird who was in front (6)
5 Examine closely an invertebrate creature soft in the belly (7)
6 Forthcoming fellow completely absorbed in eating (9)
7 Sounds a peremptory order to a lazy exporter, but denotes skill (11)
8 Containers for sewing accessories - or drug addicts? (6,5)
12 Change a net around for every other answer (9)
15 Descriptive of a conventional gathering? (7)
17 Having two feet with which to make rhythm (6)
19 Fond hope of a mad reversal concerning the enclosure (5)
21 Hold down; check growing up (3)



Scribble space

Last week's solutions

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Quick Crossword

Across: 1 Resident 4 Spot 8 Portal 10 Salmon 11 Carps 12 Baton 14 Israel 17 Dangerous 18 Recasting 22 Sea-dog 23 Unsay 24 Regal 26 Rupees 27 Larger 28 Ends 29 Mindless

Down: 1 Ripe 2 Spread 3 Deacon 5 Pampas 6 Tuneless 7 Lasso 9 Languages 10 Spiritual 13 Taped 15 Ruins 16 Preserve 18 Rasped 19 Cores 20 Inlaid21 Gargle 25 Arts

Cryptic Crossword

Across: 1 Resisted 4 Bier 8 Diadem 10 Cinema 11 Simon 12 Busts 14 Napalm 17 Emanation 18 Promising 22 Virtue 23 Total 24 Tried 26 Ranges 27 Dinner 28 Even 29 Deserted

Down: 1 Rude 2 Statue 3 Siesta 5 Iceman 6 Rearming 7 Sinai 9 Misnomers 10 Contested 13 Smart 15 Point 16 Converse 18 Prince 19 Outer 20 Iodine 21 Garnet 25 Prod

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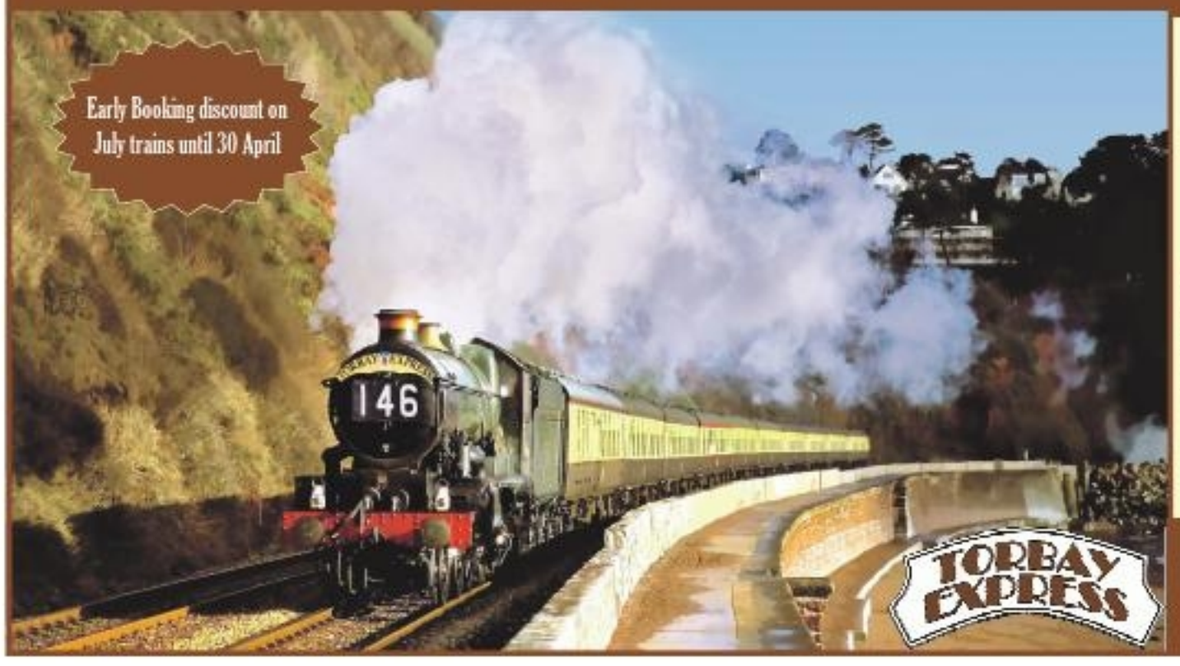

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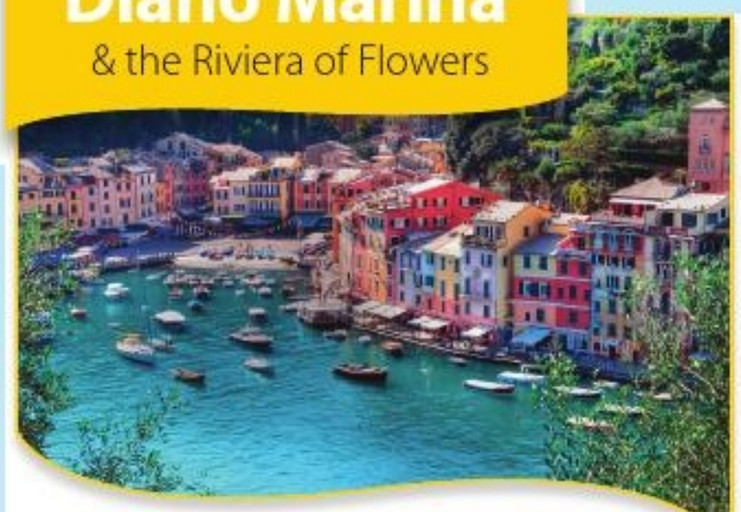

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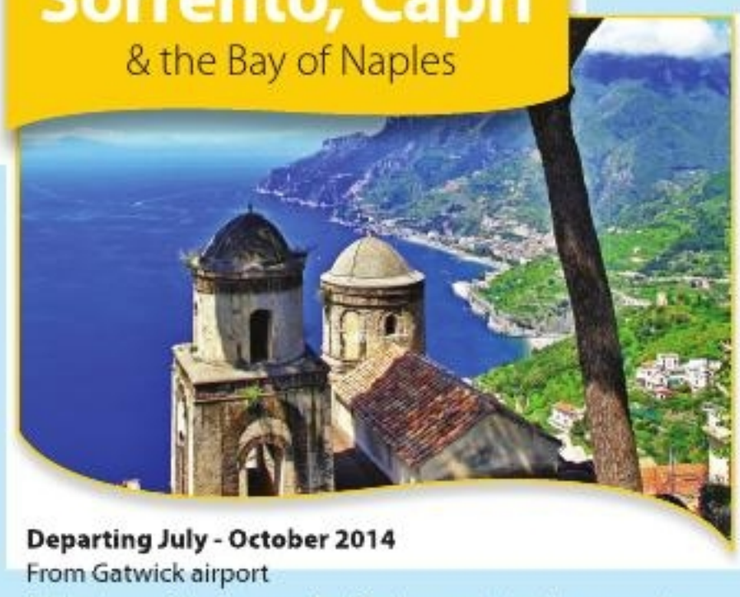

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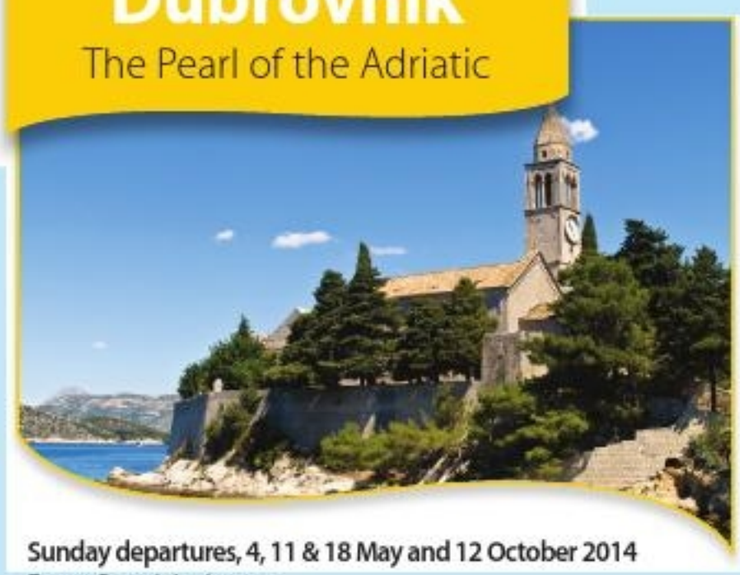

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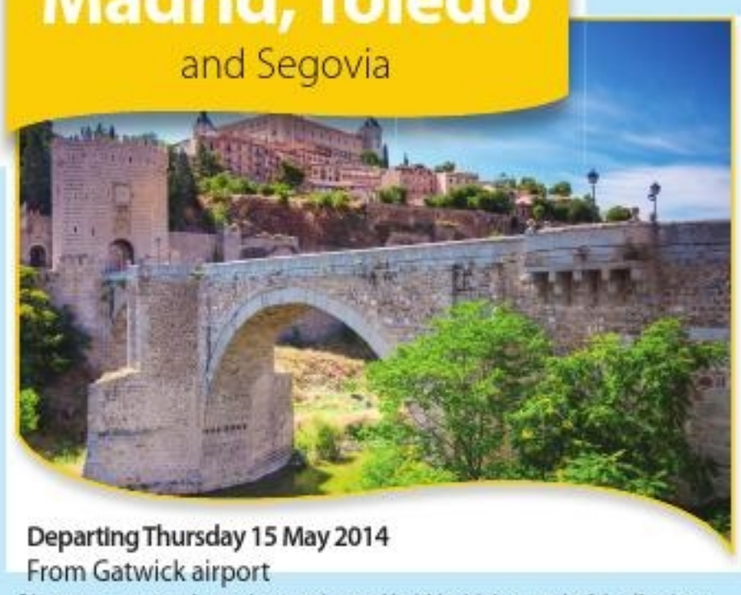

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Dacia's Duster delivers knock-out value

REVIEW: Dacia Duster Ambiance dCi 110 2WD

By **Philip Shoulder**

@writeonmotoring

RENAULT'S subsidiary budget brand Dacia has been making waves since it splashed onto the UK automotive scene with the Duster.

This SUV's distinctive looks have a functional robustness, from the bluff front and rear, straight flanks and flared wheel arches housing chunky mud and snow tyre shod wheels. Even before it's moved an inch, the Duster looks ready to 'off-road', and unlike many SUV/crossovers, it has the ground clearance to do just that.

Available in both two and four wheel drive form, the Duster uses proven Renault-Nissan Alliance technology, with 4x4 models featuring selectable three-mode, four-wheel drive as standard (2WD, Auto and Lock).

Two Renault group engines are offered: a 1.6-litre petrol and 1.5 dCi diesel. Tested here is the diesel motor, which in two-wheel drive guise returns an official combined 56.5 mpg and emits 130 g/km.

The 105 bhp diesel is a punchy performer, propelling the Duster along smartly, aided by the six-speed gearbox with well chosen ratios, which ensure good tractability at low speeds, decent in-gear acceleration, while also allowing for a relaxed 2,800rpm cruise at 75mph.

Admittedly there isn't the sharp dynamic focus that you'd find on a Nissan Qashqai, Mazda CX-5, or Hyundai ix35, but body control is still good enough through the corners. The Duster's greatest asset however is its exceptionally smooth and pliant ride, which effectively irons out even rough road surfaces.

As you'd expect, given the price, the quality of the Duster's interior isn't up to that of more expensive rivals. Switchgear, especially the ventilation controls feels pretty cheap, but everything works and the overall feel of the cabin is actually quite acceptable.

There's also no denying the sheer lack of equipment and features. On the cheapest Access version, even a stereo is an option. This £ 11,995 mid-spec Ambiance gets a CD/MP3 player with Bluetooth connectivity, which is intuitive and straightforward to operate. But if you want luxuries like air-conditioning and a trip-computer, you'll need the top-spec Lauréate - still far from expensive at £13,495 in 2WD guise.

FACTS at a glance

OTR Price: £11,995
Engine: 1461 cc, diesel
Gearbox: 6-speed manual
Driven wheels: Front
Max Power: 105bhp
Max Torque: 240Nm @1750 rpm
Max Speed: 106mph
Acceleration: 0-62 in 11.8 seconds
Official combined MPG: 56.5
CO2 emissions: (g/km) 130
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VERDICT:

The Dacia Duster is a welcome breath of fresh air. It offers a no-nonsense, 'does-what-it-says-on-the-tin' approach to motoring and for that it must be heartily applauded. Look past the slightly rough edges and you're left with a truly capable small SUV, that's worthy of consideration against considerably more expensive rivals.

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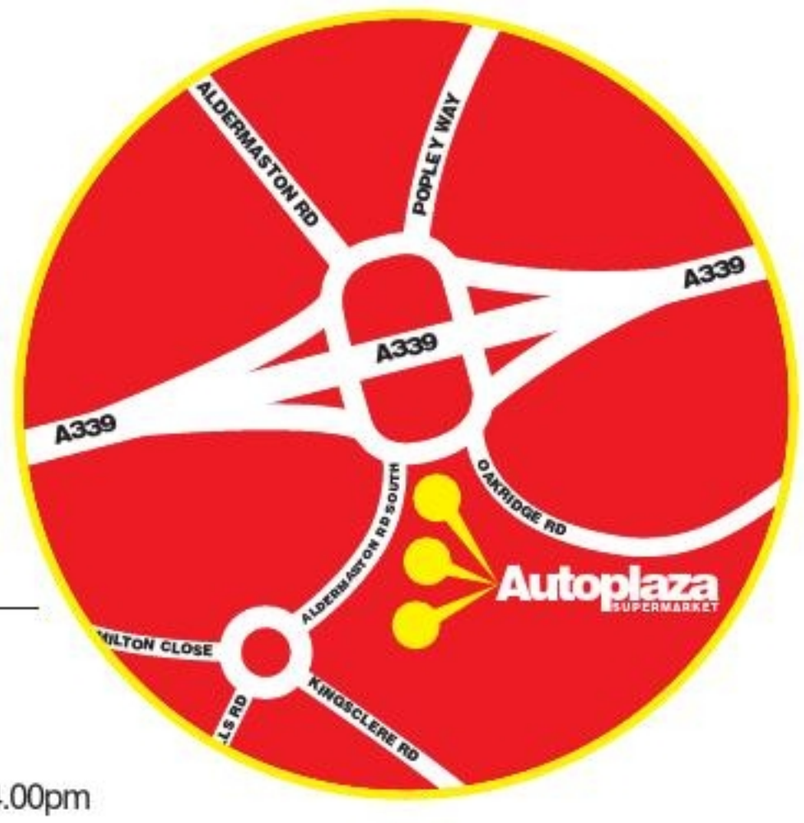

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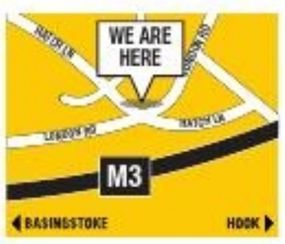

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JOANNE 36yr old single self-conscious mum, likes pubs, clubs, nights in/out, coast, seeks faithful kind guy 30-45 to share the rest of my life with so no time wasters pls. **Tel No: 0906 500 3692 Box No: 410569**

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KAREN very nice looking mature busty size 14 blonde who loves life, spending time in my home abroad and having fun, seeking similar mature gent for quality times. **Tel No: 0906 500 3692 Box No: 410477**

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JANE pretty size 12, loves going out socialising, countryside, meals out, looking for no strings fun, nothing heavy, give me a call if you are seeking similar. **Tel No: 0906 500 3692 Box No: 410579**

SUE optimistic divorced lady with OHAC, good job, enjoys meals out, cinema, countryside, pub lunches, looking for likeminded outgoing happy male. **Tel No: 0906 500 3692 Box No: 410467**

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Cup joy for Bluefins after beating Stingrays at home

BASINGSTOKE Bluefins' water polo squad have been crowned the victors of the Hampshire Knockout Cup, after beating Southampton Stingrays 19-13 at the Aquadrome.

By **Adam Flinn**
news@basingstokeobserver.co.uk

The hosts started with an eight-goal headstart due to the handicap system, with the Stingrays needing to attack from the start to try and reduce the defecit.

But it was Basingstoke who were able to get two quick goals, courtesy of Steve Fairhead and Matt Hewitt.

Southampton were able to claw their way back into the match with three goals of their own, and the score was 10-3 at the end of the first quarter.

The second quarter began with numerous sending outs, and the Stingrays took advantage to score four goals without reply and narrow the gap to just three.

Two goals from Dave Egan helped the Bluefins restore part of their advantage, meaning they were 12-7 ahead at the half-time break.

The Stingrays again pushed forward as they scored three times in the third quarter, as they once again closed in on Basingstoke's lead.

But another goal from Egan and a memorable finish from James Stone meant that the Bluefins had a four goal cushion as they went into the final quarter.

And it would be Basingstoke who took control towards the end of the match, as Stone, Josh Lay and Jack Taylor each scored to extend the lead to seven with just minutes remaining.

Southampton managed to get two back in reply, before Lay was able to add another for the Bluefins as the clock ran down.

Basingstoke goalkeeper Mike Sheath was able to save their final attempt on the buzzer, confirming the hosts as champions with a final score of 19-13.

• The Bluefins team after their Hampshire Knockout Cup win against Southampton Stingrays

Rand's the man as he signs for another season with Bison

CANADIAN shooter Joe Rand will be staying with Basingstoke Bison for next season, the team announced last week.

Rand, 28, was a key member of the Herd's double winning side last season, scoring 28 goals on the way.

His penalty shot in the play-off final against Manchester Phoenix was one of the highlights of his season, as well as scoring four goals in Bison's first league visit at Slough Jets.

Bison player/coach Doug Sheppard said: "Joe is such a versatile player, but I like to play him down the middle.

"He thinks about playing defence first, but scores his fair share of goals and is not afraid to go into the dirty areas to get them."

Rand said: "We had a great team chemistry last season and that went a long way to why we won two trophies.

"I would really like to win the league this time around and we have already got a good core of players signed.

"Last season I had to make some major adjustments to my game, moving from the small ice on the island.

"Now I feel at home on the big ice surface and will play the same role for the team this season as I did last. I can't wait for the season to start."

Rose keeps his result after Saturday's penalty is rescinded

JUSTIN Rose was able to keep his top-five finish in The Players Championship at the weekend, after a two stroke penalty was rescinded.

Rose finished the tournament on 10 under par for his third top-10 result in as many weeks, ending three shots adrift of winner Martin Kaymer.

Following the completion of his third round, Rose was given a two shot penalty after it was determined his ball had moved behind the 18th green when he soled his wedge behind it.

He was penalised one stroke for the ball moving, and another for not replacing it.

But the penalty was rescinded following further review, after it was judged that the ball had moved in a way that was discernible to the naked eye.

A statement released by the PGA Tour said: "It was determined that without the use of sophisticated technology, it was not reasonably discernible that the ball had left its original position. Thus, the player's determination that the ball had not moved was deemed to be conclusive and the penalty does not apply in this situation."

Sport Bites

Rain stops play with Hambledon

BASINGSTOKE and North Hants Cricket Club's match against Hambledon had to be abandoned on Saturday, as rain stopped play after just eight overs.

Hambledon were batting when the game was stopped, and had amassed 20 runs during that time at May's Bounty.

They will hope for better weather in their next game, when they face Fawley away this Saturday.

Coach honoured

WIELD Cricket Club's head of juniors has been awarded Hampshire Cricket Coaching Association's Coach of the Year award.

Rupert Cazalet runs the under nines team at Wield, and was honoured after the team went unbeaten in the North Hampshire League in 2013.

He has been coaching at Wield since 2006, and will receive his award at the Ageas Bowl in July from the English Cricket Board.

Defeat for ladies

BASINGSTOKE Bison Ladies ended their season with defeat on Sunday, as they lost 3-0 away to Bracknell Firebees.

Bison endured a difficult season in the Women's National South Division 1, finishing seventh of nine teams with eight points.

They won four of their 16 games during the course of the season, including a 9-1 victory over Oxford City Midnight Stars last month.

Top five for Jacob

BOXER Jacob Gabriel has moved into the top five in the country at light welterweight level, following four wins in the ABA Elite Boxing Championships.

Gabriel made it to the semi-final stages to face UK number one Sam Maxwell, but lost on a unanimous decision.

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Manager Bristow says victory over Havant 'is for the supporters'

LATE GOAL SEALS COUNTY CUP WIN

LIAM Enver-Marum was Basingstoke Town's hero as his 118th minute winner sealed a memorable 3-2 win over Havant & Waterlooville in the Hampshire Senior Cup final at Fratton Park on Monday night.

By **Jack Johnson**
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The Dragons led 2-0 with 20 minutes remaining, courtesy of Manny Williams and Enver-Marum, but Havant refused to lie down.

Cristian Nanetti scored a penalty on 84 minutes, and six minutes into added time Ed Harris netted to send the game into extra-time.

However, Town controlled the resulting half an hour and Enver-Marum fired low past Charlie Searle with two minutes remaining to clinch the cup.

Manager Jason Bristow has since dedicated the win to the fans, paying tribute to their patience despite a disappointing league campaign which saw Town finish 14th in the Skrill South.

"It was fantastic," he said. "We're obviously delighted for the players and the staff, but I think that win was for the supporters.

"Since Christmas it's been tough and we've underperformed, so hopefully we've given them something to remember the season by.

"It was a proud moment for me, but, the way the supporters have stuck by us, I was more delighted for them.

"They deserved to have a really good end to the season and they got that with a really good performance and a fantastic result."

Bristow has wasted no time in securing the services of key players for next season as Enver-Marum, Simon Dunn, Nathan Smart, Jay Gasson and Robbie Rice have all signed new deals this week.

Enver-Marum joined the club on non-contract terms in March and has impressed Bristow, scoring eight goals in nine games, while playing for free.

After offering the striker a one-year deal, Bristow said: "Liam has been a huge bonus for us.

"His goal return has been fantastic and was a big part of how we finished this season."

· Basingstoke Town's players and coaching staff celebrate Monday's Hampshire Senior Cup triumph (Picture by Les Chase)

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